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SRI N. MAHALINGAM:—"Is the work on the High Level Channel in Mettur proceeding, Sir?"

MR. SPEAKER:—"The hon. Member may put a separate question."

SRI T. VISWANATHAM:—"May I know, Sir, whether the Hon. Minister is aware that the original design was that it would irrigate about 6 lakhs of acres?"

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI:—"There are so many plans and estimates prepared on different occasions. I do not know to what plan or estimate the hon. Member is referring."

*Coconut research station at Chowghat.*

* 69 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to establish a coconut research station at Chowghat or anywhere else in Malabar; and

(*b*) if so, the stage where it stands now?

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA:—"(*a*) There is no proposal at present to establish a coconut research station at Chowghat or anywhere else in Malabar.

"(*b*) The question does not arise."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP:—"As coconut is a very important commercial crop earning dollars for this country, will the Government consider establishing such a farm in Malabar?"

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA:—"That coconut is a very important commercial crop is well-known and is realized by the Government. There are two research stations in Nileshwar and another is maintained by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research. Immediately there is no proposal to start another farm in Malabar."

*Appointment of clerks in the Co-operative Weavers' Societies.*

* 70 *Q.*—SRI K. KRISHNA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Co-operation be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Co-operative Weavers' Societies are asked to adopt a model by-law whereby the sanction and appointment of clerks in these societies requires the prior approval of the Registrar of Co-operative Societies; and

(*b*) whether societies of handloom weavers which delay in adopting or refuse to adopt the by-law in clause (*a*) are penalised or victimised?

THE HON. SRI D. SANJIVAYYA:—"(*a*) The answer is in the negative.

"(*b*) Does not arise."